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TWENTY-FOUR O'CLOCK.

Well, wife, while down in town to-day,
I heard by chance the strangest thing;
'Twill come to pass, the people say,
Tho' trouble it is sure to bring.
Our timepiece there upon the wall
Must go (it gives me quite a shock);
You see 'tis of no use at all—
'Twill soon be 24 o'clock.

We'll breakfast then at 18 sharp;
At 19 I must take the train,
What oddities! I can't help harp
On what is sure to turn the brain,
But Labor's wheels will still go 'round,
On wages there will be no lack,
Tho' this old world at last has found
It has a 24 o'clock.

Dear Sue, maybe you have forgot
Our wedding, twenty years ago;
'Twas 13 when parson tied the knot,
Tho' now it seems it was not so,
Time's river flows on mighty fast,
And each new wave seems but to mock;
For wife, we've had to find at last
We wed at 24 o'clock.

Our Maud, who'd like to sleep till noon,
Now rising on the stroke of 6,
Can have her share of sleeping soon,
And doze till 18. What a mix!
But when young Lynn comes here to call,
And stays like patience on a rock,
'Twill throw a shadow over all—
So late the hour: 13 o'clock.

And meeting hour which always came
So regularly at half past-ten;
Will never seem again the same—
A sort of 22 ameen.
Dear Sue, this thing is certain sure
To soon affect both you and me,
For our old clock there is no cure;
It and the Future can't agree.

Tho' some folks may learnedly speak
Of Greenwich time, and this and that,
It is our century's strangest freak—
A queer, dismal tit for tat.
We're told the world improves with age.
Our ship at last has reached a dock
Where change in all things is the gauge;
'Twill soon be 24 o'clock. BRADEN.

FIELD, FORT AND FLEET.

THE MISSION OF FIELD ARTILLERY.

Some Striking Examples of "Grape and Canister."

"Bring up the guns!"

Let the order be heard by a regiment of infantry crowding to the rear in a panic and it will halt the men in their tracks and make fighters of them again. There is something in the companionship of a field battery that makes a foot soldier braver than when his regiment fights alone. The guns may be wasting ammunition as they roar and crash, but it seems to the regiments on flank or in rear that every discharge is driving great gaps through the enemy's lines. So long as the battery remains the supports will remain. Even when the order is given to double-shot the guns and the infantry can see that half the horses have been shot down he still carries the feeling that grape and canister will win the victory. The loss of horses, wagons and small arms is lightly mentioned in official reports and the losers feel no degradation, but let a brigade lose a single gun from one of its batteries, and every soldier feels the shame. It is next to losing the flag presented to a regiment as it marched from home.

AT MECHANICSVILLE.

When McClellan, in his change of base, took position at Mechanicsville, his left rested near Ellison's mill. For three hundred yards in front the ground was open, a part of it being a plowed field. Two hundred feet in front of the Federal lines ran the mill-race, which then had perpendicular banks and contained four feet of water. Thirty feet back from the race the Federals had made an abattis of rails, tree-tops, limbs and sharpened stakes. Then came more than thirty field-pieces in line, and behind them on the slopes were infantry supports three lines deep.

Pender's brigade, of D. H. Hill's command, advanced alone to assault this position, intending it as a flank movement to turn the Federal left. They had no sooner moved out into the open ground than the artillery had a full-sweep at them. Grape, canister and short-fused shell were hurled at them almost by the ton, and in five minutes the four regiments which had left cover in beautiful order were little better than a mob. However, instead of retreating in a panic, the men dropped to the ground, and began a sharp musketry fire. This was answered by volleys from beyond the mill-race, which literally plowed the ground.

Pender hung until the assault became a butchery, and then the order was given to retire. Pender's brigade numbered less than 3,000 men, and yet in twenty-five minutes its loss was nearly one-sixth of its strength. It was an exception to find a man who could not show bullet holes through his clothing, and some of the wounded were hit three and four times. Those who buried the dead said that of the 200 or more killed by the artillery fire at least 175 were so torn and mutilated as to be little better than a bloody mass.

As Pender was driven back he met Ripley's brigade, of the same command, coming to his support. Lee knew the position, but he must carry it to turn the Federal left. This second brigade had less than two thousand four hundred men, and, united with Pender, the total strength was not over five thousand. Four times that number could not have made an impression upon that position.

When Pender had rallied his men, the two brigades advanced in column of assault, breaking cover with a cheer and on the double quick. The Federal guns were worked with terrible energy, but under cover of the smoke, and by crawling upon hands and knees, the Confederates reached the mill-race. Indeed, several hundred of them crossed it. Then, for forty minutes, there was a terrific struggle. So fierce was the Federal infantry fire over and through the abattis that it was gradually whittled away. Limbs as large as a man's arm were barked, chipped and splintered as if lightning had played over them, and the surface of the mill-race was covered with splinters, twigs and leaves.

Pender and Ripley could not advance beyond the canal in force. They could not long maintain their lines where they were. The fire from the Federals searched every foot of ground, and every minute their lines were melting away. When the order was given to fall back, the artillery raked them again as they crossed the open ground, and when the men finally reached cover, the loss of each regiment had become amazing. For instance, the Forty-fourth Georgia, which numbered only about 700 men, lost 338 officers and men. Every field officer was killed, and of the ten captains and twenty lieutenants, only twelve remained. It was the same with the Third North Carolina and other regiments.

AT FRAZIER'S FARM.

At Frazier's Farm, during this same eventful week, Randall's battery of six pieces was on McClellan's right, and supported by the Fourth Pennsylvania. The front was an old field, devoid of shelter, and the battery was playing into the woods half a mile beyond. This battery so annoyed the Confederates that a brigade was ordered to charge it. The Eleventh Alabama had the lead, and was to be closely supported by the other three regiments. Through some blunder the Alabamians, numbering about seven hundred and fifty, were permitted to advance alone.

They were seen as soon as they broke cover, and more than one hundred of them were killed by the artillery as they advanced across the field. The men were thrown into disorder one moment to be rallied the next, and, finally, with muskets at a trail and caps swinging in the air, they made a rush straight upon the guns. As they came near the Pennsylvanians rose up and delivered two or three volleys right into them. These were returned, and then the final rush was made. In a minute a wild mob was swirling 'round and 'round the guns—bayonets drinking blood—clubbed muskets felling men—the wounded staggering up to clutch an enemy and pull him down.

The guns were won. The Fourth was pushed slowly back, but as the cheers of the Alabamians drowned the noise of the battle to the right and left, the Seventh Pennsylvania came to the support of the Fourth. The fight which now took place was witnessed by at least two generals and half a dozen colonels, outside of the hundreds in the ranks. It was two regiments to one, but the Alabamians had won the guns and were determined to hold them. Not a single company formed in line—not an officer had a command. Two thousand mad and infuriated men rushed at each other with murder in their hearts. No one asked for quarter—no one gave it.

At the end of twenty minutes the Pennsylvanians gave way, not overpowered by numbers but pressed back by such dare devil fighting as nobody had ever witnessed before. The guns had been taken, but there were no horses to draw them away. The captors were making arrangements to draw them away when there was a rally on the part of the Federals. The smallness of the Confederate force suddenly became plain as the smoke lifted, and before a gun could be moved hot fire was opened from a whole brigade, followed by a charge. The Alabamians were picked up and hurled back in a broken mass, and the last of them had not reached the woods before the guns were again playing upon them. The loss of the Confederate regiment was over 150 men, 100 of whom, including eight company commanders, died around the battery.

THE REPULSE AT KENNESAW.

The day after the repulse of the Fifteenth Corps at Kennesaw Mountain the Fortieth and Fifty-seventh Indiana, Ninety-seventh and Twenty-sixth Ohio, Twenty-eigth Kentucky, and One-hundreth Illinois regiments, each numbering about 800 men, were selected to assault a salient on a ridge 300 yards in their front. The lines were formed in regimental divisions, and while the front was only the width of two companies the depth was thirty lines of men in open order. It was in fact a giant wedge of flesh and blood and steel which was to drive itself through the Confederate lines.

As the men stood in line their officers explained to them in low and earnest tones what was planned and what was hoped for. It was a forlorn hope indeed. Every man must have realized that there would be a terrible loss of life even before the salient was reached, but each one seemed to nerve himself for what was to come. During the twenty minutes' interval between forming and the order to advance there was almost dead silence in the ranks. The men leaned upon their muskets and peered through the forest in their front which hid the Confederate position, and the supports on the flanks moved up and into position as if fearing that their footsteps would disturb the dead of the day before.

It was not positively known to the Federals that the salient was defended by cannon. The hope that it was not gave the men more spirit, as the lay on the ground—forest, thicket and ridge—furnished fair shelter from musketry fire.

Soon after 8 o'clock a single low spoken order brought every man to a front face. The moment had come. As the column had formed under cover it was hoped to take the defenders of the salient by surprise. The lines were dressed, and in a moment more were moving through the woods. From the valleys at the base of the Kennesaw, Lost or Pine Mountains to their crests there is scarcely a level spot. The sides are covered with forests and thicket, and the ground is almost a succession of rocky terraces. Over this difficult ground the great blue wedge forced its way at a rapid pace, but no cheer was heard—no shouts were given.

"Crack! crack! crack!"

It is the alarm from the Confederate skirmishers, who have crept down almost to the base of the mountain. They are posted behind great rocks and hidden behind ledges. They cannot retreat; they must surrender or fight it out. They choose the latter course. Nine out of every ten hold their positions until the point of the blue wedge reaches them and brings a savage death with it.

All along the sides of the grim mountain the skirmishers bar the way, seeking to detain the wedge and alarm the defenders of the salient. Here and there a Federal throws up his hands and falls back, but the column makes no halt. Up, up, up, and now an officer in front waves his sword as the slopes of the parapet come into sight. Here the cover suddenly ends. From the bushes to the salient, a distance of 200 feet, the ground has been swept bare of tree and bush, and rocks have been rolled aside.

At the foot of the parapet is a palisade—outside of that an abattis. Behind the works are a thousand muskets—a thousand Confederates with fingers on triggers. At regular intervals along this line—250 feet front—are six field pieces, each one loaded with grape and canister. The men within are waiting. Not an order is given nor a head appears in sight until the first line of blue is out of cover.

Now, as if one finger had pressed the thousand triggers, a great sheet of flame leaps forth and scorches and blisters and shrivels the advance. The second line crowds up over the dead and dying, the third and fourth cheer as they come. Now, with a crash as if a volcano was breaking through the crest of the mountain, the six guns belch their contents into that mass of men sixty deep.

The effect was horrible. What were men a moment ago are now bloody shreds blown against the rocks and scattered far over the ground. Some of the gory fragments fall upon the lines yet half-way up the slope.

The advance halts in confusion—the rear lines crowd up. There is another bloody feast ready as soon as the cannon can be charged. Then comes the order to break lines and divide to the right and left to get out of range of the artillery. The men rush forward to the abattis—some lie flat down—others take cover behind rocks.

For fifteen minutes heroic carnage holds them before the salient. The Confederates have them at their mercy. Men take deliberate aim and send a bullet through the heads of the living targets. When the burial party comes to do its work it will find that seven out of every ten Federals lying before that abattis has been killed stone dead by a single bullet.

The fire of musketry might have checked the assault, but aided by artillery the check became a butchery. Grape and canister scorched out spots secure from bullets, and men in the very rear ranks, who did not even catch sight of the abattis were struck down by the iron missiles. No assault could have brought out more nerve and heroism, but it was the wave dashing against a rocky cliff.

When the men had fallen back to their original positions the roll of dead and wounded was a shock to those who had escaped. No one had blundered. Johnston's lines were there, and they must be carried by assault. Sherman was looking for a weak spot to drive a wedge into. That salient was one of the strongest points on the Confederate line.

M. QUAD.

Household Hints.

It is said by one who is ordinarily truthful that if you place a little piece of red pepper in the pot where cabbage or turnip is boiling, it will help to destroy the objectionable odor with which these vegetables are likely to fill the house.

Tomatoes chopped with an equa quantity of celery and mixed with nice salad dressing is an agreeable and easily prepared dish.

A very simple way to make grape pickles is to fill a jar with alternate layers of sugar and of freshly gathered grapes; cover with cold vinegar.

Appetizing dressing for fowls is made of mashed potato, well seasoned; for ducks or for wild game a flavor of onion is desirable; herbs also may be added.

It is not generally known that draughts of cold air are as unwholesome for a canary bird as for a child. Many a pet bird has drooped and died a mysterious and lamented death for the lack of a little thought on the part of its mistress. Many birds suffer also from heat; their cages are hung so high that while the room does not seem too warm for the mistress it is very uncomfortable for the bird. I have known of cages being hung so near a stove that the wires became so heated as to be unpleasant to the touch. If one has not the time to be thoughtful and careful of pets, it is more humane to dispose of them to some one who can.

A little care and expense at this time of year in cleaning the cellar may prevent sickness later in the season. Remove everything from the cellar, and if it is possible to do so, have the walls whitewashed. This will sweeten the air, and if some copperas is added to the whitewash it will prove a disinfectant of value. Add enough of the copperas to color the whitewash slightly.

A SCIENTIST says that, properly speaking, color is not a property of matter, but of light. We remember when color was a property of matter, and that was about twenty years ago down south.—*Boston Courier.*

A QUEER MARRIED COUPLE

THE STORY OF TWO WOMEN WHO PRETENDED TO BE MAN AND WIFE.

One a Once Famous Huntress of the New York and Pennsylvania Woods and the Other a Graduate of a Boston School—Their Wanderings and Adventures.

The singular case reported from Waupun, Wis., of the marriage of one woman to another, has a parallel in a case which was discovered in Stroudsburg, Pa., some years ago. A local correspondent writes to the *Sun* as follows:

In the spring of 1869 there appeared in the town of Barrett, in the western part of Monroe county, a couple calling themselves the Rev. Joseph Israel Lobdell and wife. The man was of medium height, dressed in tattered hunting garb, and carried a long single-barrel rifle. He wore no hat, and his head was covered with thick black curly hair, streaked with gray. The woman was taller than the man, and was mostly clad. She was fine looking, wore spectacles, and her conversation showed that she was educated and intelligent. For two years the strange couple roamed about the township, living most of the time in the woods, but frequently making their appearance in the village, where the man would deliver wild and incoherent harangues on religion, and both would beg for food and shelter. In 1871 they had become such a nuisance to the inhabitants that they were arrested on a charge of vagrancy, and committed to jail in Stroudsburg. While in prison the discovery was made that they were both women. Soon afterward it was learned that they had together left the almshouse of Delaware county, N. Y., a short time before their appearance in this county. The poorhouse authorities of Barrett thereupon took them back to Delhi, where the following straight history of the pair was learned:

In 1854, Lucy Ann Lobdell, the 17-year-old daughter of an old lumberman living at Long Eddy, on the Delaware river, was married to George Slater. She was known far and wide as an expert shot with the rifle, not only at the target, but in hunting the wild game for which that part of the valley was then famous. After a year of married life, Slater deserted his wife, leaving her in destitute circumstances, with an infant two months old. Her parents were very poor, and unable to give her a home. They were willing to relieve her of the care of her child, however, and she finally placed it in their charge. She then dressed herself in male attire and disappeared.

Soon afterward, a young man of prepossessing appearance opened a singing school in the village of Bethany, Wayne county, Pa. He gave his name as Joseph Lobdell, and became a great favorite among the young women of the village, nearly all of whom joined his singing class. He was a good singer and violinist, and had a fair knowledge of music. Before the term of his school was over he became engaged to one of his pupils, the daughter of a leading citizen of Bethany. The day was set for the wedding. News of the presence of the young singing master in Bethany reached Long Eddy, and suspicion was aroused there that he was the missing Lucy Ann Slater, whose musical accomplishments were well known in her native place. Investigation proved that the suspicion was correct. The information was obtained by a young man of Bethany, who had been a rival of the music teacher for the hand of the young lady. He told the secret to a few companions, and they planned to capture the teacher on a certain night and tar and feather her. This became known in some way to the girl Lobdell was to marry, and, notwithstanding her mortification, she warned the teacher of her danger so that she escaped from the town by night and returned to Long Eddy, where she assumed female attire for a short time.

Early in 1856 she again put on male attire, and for eight years lived the life of a hunter, roaming the forest of Sullivan, Delaware, Wayne, and Pike counties. She rarely came into the settlements, and then to exchange game and furs for ammunition and necessary supplies. According to her subsequent statements, her wild life was one of thrilling adventure and privation. Her narrow escapes in contests with wild animals and her sufferings from cold, hunger, and sickness during her career in the woods she recorded in a book entitled "The Life and Adventures of Lucy Ann Lobdell, the Female Hunter of Long Eddy." She returned to Long Eddy in 1864, broken in mind and body. Her child had been placed in the poorhouse at Delhi. She once more assumed the habiliments of her sex, and, after wandering about the valley for a year or two, an object of pity and charity, she also sought the shelter of the almshouse.

In the summer of 1868 a young woman giving the name of Marie Louise Perry, became an inmate of the poorhouse at Delhi. She was in poor health, a stranger in the county, and evidently well educated. She declined to give any account of herself, but it was learned a few months afterward that she was the daughter of well-to-do parents in a Massachusetts village, and was a graduate of a school in Boston. It was rumored that she had run away from home, married a man to whom her parents objected, and been deserted by him. This rumor she neither denied nor admitted to be true.

An intimacy grew up between Miss Perry and Lucy Ann Lobdell. They became strongly attached to one another, although their habits, character, and antecedents were so widely different. Learning that the almshouse authorities had informed her parents of her whereabouts, the girl resolved to leave the institution, and Lucy Ann Lobdell accompanied her. They were not heard of again in Delaware county until they were discovered in the Strawsbury jail, masquerading as man and wife, and were returned to the Delhi poorhouse They remained there but a short time, and then left the place again, and resumed their roaming life in the woods, insisting on every occasion that they were man and wife.

A marriage ceremony between them had been performed in 1869 by a Wayne county Justice of the Peace, he being ignorant of the fact that the parties were both women. In 1876 they appeared in Honesdale, Wayne county. The "husband," it was then seen, was violently insane, but the "wife" clung to him with an affection that was remarkable. For the good of both, the lunatic was placed in jail. The grief of the other at the separation was pitiful, and she begged to be allowed to share her "husband's" cell.

There is now on the court records of Wayne county a document which was drawn by the unfortunate companion of Lucy Ann Lobdell at this time. It was a petition for the release of her "husband, Joseph I. Lobdell," from jail, on account of his failing health. It was written with a split stick for a pen, with ink made from the juice of poke berries. It reviewed the case of the "Female Hunter" from a psychological standpoint. The language used was clear, correct and logical, showing that the writer, though a voluntary outcast, was a person of superior education.

"Joseph I. Lobdell" was finally released from jail, and the couple then took up their residence on a small farm in Damascus township, Wayne county, where they lived peaceably until 1880, when the "husband" wandered away, and finally became an inmate of the Delhi poorhouse again. She is now in the Willard Asylum for the Insane. The "wife" still lives on the Damascus farm, and insists that her name is Mrs. Joseph I. Lobdell.

THE BOY AT NIGHT.

His Uneasiness at Home and His Anxiety to be Out With the Boys.

[From the Milwaukee Sun.]

There are scores of boys in every city, town and village in the country who have a habit of spending their evenings on the streets or in places of questionable reputation. A most dangerous practice, morally, yet why this should be so no one can explain, as eight in ten of these boys have good homes; homes that to some would be a paradise, yet when they are kept at home for an evening they appear to be uneasy and out of their element. These boys, whose ages range from fourteen to nineteen, have been permitted to go out of an evening from time to time until it has become a regular habit, and before their parents realize it, or know where the boy spends his time, they have become affected with the immoral atmosphere surrounding the corner loafer, and the poison thus absorbed has begun its awful work.

Then it is parents begin to lead a life of worriment and anxiety as to the future of their boy. They realize that no one would want to employ them when they desire work. Not a very pleasing outlook for the future welfare of the boy, to say the least. When a boy who has a pleasant home with everything about him that elevates, with indulgent parents, begins to feel uneasy, restless and out of his element; when he feels that he would rather be in the society of the low and depraved, listening to unclean talk, than at home; then it is that an extra effort must be made, or the future of that boy is ruin. Then it is, too, that the parent awakes to a knowledge of the fact that a desperate struggle has got to be made to reclaim the boy.

There are hundreds of mothers who realize this and who have sons that have grown by their indulgence, beyond their control, and they feel that it is all but an impossible task to undertake to check them in their downward course. Yet those mothers are ready to do what they can. But how often they fail in their good intentions, simply because they went at it wrong. They began a course of lectures, instead of making home, especially the boy's room, more attractive, providing interesting reading and other diversions, to interest the boy's mind. Invite good company to your house, mothers, this coming winter. Let the mothers of a neighborhood club together and devise a series of entertainments and amusements that will so occupy their boys' attention they will not find time to loaf on the corners or set around bar-rooms, listening to the vulgar talk of the depraved.

The winter months are more destructive to the morals of young men, who seek for amusement away from their homes than any other time of the year, as they are forced by the weather to seek out warm and comfortable places where lively company is to be found. Where else, than the saloon, is such a place to be found away from the home? Fathers and mothers have it in their power to counteract the evil influences that beset youth, if they will but devise ways and means suited to the tastes of the young and not forget that they were once young and did not enjoy a continual lecture on morals any more than their own children do to-day. Boys should also remember that corner loafing contains no element for the building up of a successful future, while it contains everything that tends in a contrary direction.

"AM I HEAR, you have been taking dancing lessons. How do you like waltzing?" "Waltzing? Ah! I like the waltz very much, but the girl is always in the way."—*German Fun.*

PHILADELPHIA is a brick! Nay more, she is millions of brick. In fact Philadelphia is all brick; all except the marble door-steps, with the stringy maids scrubbing them perpetually, and the streams of placid soapsuds flowing on forever either way, tranquilly, dreamily. —*Joaquin Miller.*

INTERNAL REVENUE TAXES.

The Reduction of $42,000,000 Having Little Effect on the Aggregate Receipts.

Commissioner of Internal Revenue Evans begins his annual report by referring to the consolidation of certain collection districts, which, he says, has been accomplished as directed by the President in an executive order dated January 25, 1883. This order involves a reduction of forty-three collectors and collection districts, and will result in an annual saving to the government of about $125,000.

The reduction of taxation made by the act of March 3d, 1883, the Commissioner says, will aggregate not less than $43,000,000 per annum, including $9,000,000 tax on the capital and deposits of national banks, which is paid directly to the Treasurer. While this is so, it is estimated that the increased revenue from distilled spirits for the current year will so augment receipts from that source as to make the aggregate receipts for this year at least $120,000,000 should there be no further change in the internal revenue laws.

The total receipts from all sources of internal revenue taxation for the fiscal year ended June 30, 1883, were $144,-653,344, as compaired with $146,523,273 for the year 1882, and $135,229,912 for the year 1881. During the first three months of the current fiscal year the aggregate receipts from the several objects of taxation were $29,671,178, being a decrease of $7,926,401 from the receipts of the corresponding period in the previous fiscal year. The total cost of collection for the past fiscal year was $6,113,734, and the total expenses of the service will be found on final adjustment to be about 3½ per cent. on the amount collected.

The collections from tobacco for the fiscal year from the several sources were $42,104,249, or $5,287,739 less than for the preceding year. The increase in production of manufactured tobacco, cigars, etc., during the last fiscal year was 9,159,497 pounds. The increase in production of cigars and cigarettes was 284,599,004. Of this increase, 186,234,-977 were cigars and 98,364,027 cigarettes. The report shows that the reduction of tax rates made by the act of March 1, 1883, will, on the basis of last year's business, cause a reduction of revenue from tobacco during the next fiscal year of at least $25,000,000.

There were operated during the last fiscal year 5,129 distilleries. The quantity of grain used in the production of spirits during the year, 18,644,877 bushels, is less than that used last year by 8,814,308 bushels, and is 6,705,506 bushels less than the average for the last four years. This decrease corresponds very closely with and explains the decrease in the number of gallons of spirits produced during the year, which is 72,-125,175 gallons, as against 104,149,077 gallons for the year ended June 30, 1882. The yield of spirits from each bushel of grain increases slightly each year, being 3.874 gallons, as against 3.792 for the year preceding and 3.694 for the year 1881. This increase is believed to be due merely to improved methods of preparing the grain for distillation.

The quantity of spirits removed in bond for export during the year was 5,326,427 proof gallons; spirits transferred to manufacturing warehouses, 203,938 gallons; spirits withdrawn from warehouses during the year, 83,291,190 gallons, and quantity allowed from leakage and evaporations, 2,291,013 gallons. The quantity of spirits remaining in warehouse on June 30, 1883, was 80,-499,997 gallons, of which nearly seven-tenths were Bourbon whisky. The amount of spirits in warehouse, Oct. 1, 1883, was 73,405,361 gallons; spirits withdrawn for export in the first three months of the present fiscal year, 752,-389 gallons. The quantity of distilled spirits in the United States, except what may be in customs bonded warehouses, on Oct. 1, 1883, was nearly 116,000,000 gallons.

THE CRAZY QUILT CRAZE.

What a Lot of Men Have to Say on the Subject.

[From the Milwaukee Sun.]

A number of gentlemen sat in the Plankinton House reading-room the other evening when a gentleman came in apparently very much agitated. "What's the matter?" asked an acquaintance. "Matter? Well, I should say there was matter enough. I don't expect to leave Milwaukee with a whole suit of clothes. In fact everything I've got on begins to look like the remnants of an antiquated porous plaster. Never had any experience with a lot of ladies who have got an attack of crazy bed quilt? Of course not. I might have known better than to have asked, as it never strikes any but good looking old bachelors like myself. When a man has been there once he is satisfied, unless he is a hog. The reason they call these new fangled quilts crazy, is because everybody for twelve miles around a house where one of 'em is started is set crazy by the lady demanding a piece of silk.

"To-night I thought I'd go out to see some ladies, old friends. I hadn't more than got into the door, before one of them, with a pair of scissors in her hand, snatched my hat and made a dive for the lining. She got left. She handed the hat back with a disappointed look, as she realized that somebody had got in their work ahead of her. Why do I keep my coat buttoned up to my chin? Well, when she found the lining of the hat gone she made a dive for my neck scarf. There's nothing left but the collar-button and a piece of the scarf about the size of a ten cent piece."

The man who had been there then took out his silk handkerchief to blow his nose, but his hand missed the mark as it went through a hole big enough for a cat to jump through. "Well, I'll be blamed, if those women haven't carved my blower. They even raided the sleeve lining to my overcoat. In fact I haven't a whole garment on me. I am crazy so they'll have a crazy quilt sure. Why, they got the lining out of every hat they can lay hands onto. It isn't safe to leave your hat in the hall, if you expect to get it again in as sound condition as when you hung it on the rack. A man who has had any experience feels like taking to the woods every time he sees a lady coming, especially if she looks smiling.

"It's not so rough on a man to take his hat lining, but if ever high-buttoned vests go out of style, nine-tenths of the young men will have their reputation for sobriety and peacefulness ruined all on account of the dilapidated condition of their neckties, so many samples being cut out of them by the ladies for these crazy quilts. Why, they even cut the lining out of a claw-hammer coat! It's a mighty good thing that bridesmaids go into church first or the groom's coat-tails would look like a ragged signal of distress. There wouldn't be enough of the lining left by the time he reached the altar to make the tails of his coat hang in any sort of shape." And the much-sampled man asked for the key of his room and went to bed to dream how "perfectly lovely" his contributions of silk looked in a crazy quilt.

HOW ROME FELL.

The Dangers that will Threaten the United States Before Many Years.

The New York *Hour*, in speaking of the dangers that beset this country, gives us the following picture of the downfall of Rome:

Two thousand years ago Rome was the world and the City of Rome was the world's centre. From the imperial city went out the decree that "all the world should be taxed," and all the world made haste to comply with the order, having learned by a variety of experiences, all depressing, that remonstrance would be useless and resistance fatal. The great city possessed every apparent element of stability. She had the wealth peculiar to great cities in general; she was the seat of the supreme government, the center and source of the national power, and the great intellects of the empire congregated within her walls. Her citizens were free to devote almost their entire attention to problems of government, for besides having money in abundance they had been supplied, by various successful wars, with an army of slaves, by whom all manual labor and much intellectual drudgery was done. Everything that the intelligence and art of the age had accomplished was at the service of Romans of wealth and position; the stage, the forum, the sculptor's chisel, contributed to the delectation of ear and eye. Even the poorer classes were better off than the rich of other cities, for aspiring citizens competed for the privilege of supplying baths, games and spectacles for the masses. All roads led to Rome, and over them came every luxury that the empire afforded; over them came, too, from all provinces, countless men and women, whose birthplaces were unable to confine their restless minds and satisfy the ambitions that had been created and stimulated by rumors of what the great city desired and gave.

Wealthy, powerful and without foreign enemies or even rivals, Rome's position as ruler of the world seemed established for all time; but at the moment of her greatest apparent security the destruction of the great city and the nation of which she was the centre began, and the destroyers were her own citizens and those whom she had taken to her heart. Lust of power had replaced love of country in the minds of the men to whom she entrusted the administration of her affairs; personal gratification was a stronger motive than patriotism among the mass of her citizens. Her walls encircled thousands of men who had come to Rome only for what she could give them, and without the slightest desire or willingness to give anything in return. No one could be trusted; a wealthy citizen elevated to honorable office might be without temptation to steal, but he bartered the people's rights for whatever might gratify his ambition, his pride or his revenge. His peers in position might protest to one another, but beyond this they seldom went, for the chains of luxury were hard to break. So when Cæsar led a Roman army against Rome itself he met no resistance worthy of the name. He did not abuse his power by theft or debauchery; he merely ruled for the sake of ruling, and although a few citizens were patriotic enough to put him to death, they could not summon a sufficient following to prevent the moral and material disintegration which had begun, and which, with only occasional respites, continued until Rome became only a ruin and a name.

To Cook Squash.

There is but one way to bring squash to table in perfection, and that is the way of a certain old lady who was famous in her day for her natural art in cookery. She cut up, pealed and boiled the squash in salted water. When done—this must be tested with a fork—she first put the pieces in a colander, mashing and squeezing with a spoon to get out all the water that might be extracted that way. Then she put the squash into a clean cloth of texture coarse enough to keep in the vegetable and let out the water. She twisted up the cloth, so manipulating it with hands and spoon that she got the squash dry enough to suit her. Then she restored the squash to the fire in a porcelain-lined saucepan, and dressed it with pepper, salt and a liberal quantity of the best butter. Thus prepared, squash tastes and looks deliciously, and it is only in this fashion that it can be made to do so. Of course it takes a good deal of the vegetable to make a reasonable dishful, for the water, which usually under the hands of the average cook makes more than half of the dish, is almost completely extracted. It is amusing to see cooks taking half a dozen slices of squash to make a dish for a tableful of people.

"THE owner of Little Brown Jug owns the fastest pair of pacers in the world." As a general thing, the owner of a little brown jug doesn't own anything save a ragged suit of clothes and a consuming appetite for the beverage that biteth like an Ohio election.—*Norristown Herald.*

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FRENCH GALLANTRY: A gentleman weary of life flings himself out of a fifth-story window. A beautiful lady happens to be taking the air on the balcony of the first floor. "Charming!" he exclaims rapidly. And then passes on.

THE Detroit *Free Press* says—If you want your communications to a newspaper to appear next day, you should sign yourself "Veritas," "Vigilance," "Vox Populi" or "Taxpayer." Any one of these signatures hits an editor plumb-centre.

"YES," said the hat manufacturer, "I take a good deal of interest in an election, but I wish things could be arranged so that both parties would lose. In that event the demand for hats would be doubled. However, a half loaf is better than no bread."

THE Rev. J. W. Bain, of Philadelphia, preaching in Pittsburgh, enumerated the things not to be found in heaven. "There is no darkness there, no clouds, no sickness, no graves, no funerals, no preachers——" At this point, seeing a smile rippling over the congregation, he explained: "I mean there's no preaching there."

A MAN lately committed suicide in a Parisian restaurant after making a hearty luncheon. On a slip of paper found on the table before him he had written in pencil: "Oysters are excellent for the stomach, and old wine promotes longevity; but politics disgust a man with life, and that is the reason why I am about to kill myself."

A LONG life: A. (at butcher's stall): "Good morning, my neighbor. What fine sausages you have hanging there. You ought to present me with one of them, for this is my birthday." Butcher (taking A.'s hand): "Ah, your birthday, is it? Well, I wish you much good luck, and many returns of the day. May you live till I give you that sausage."

DUMLEY was making an evening call, and the nice little boy of the family had been allowed to remain up a little later than usual. "Ma," he said, during a lull in the conversation, "can whisky talk?" "Certainly not," said ma, "What put that absurd notion into your head?" "Well," he replied, "I heard you say to pa that whisky was telling on Mr Dumley, and I wanted to know what it said."

"If you will let me take your stick of candy I'll show you how I can swallow it and make it come out of my ear." The candy was delivered. The young magician deliberately ate it. Then for the space of two minutes he threw himself into violent contortions. The candy failing to appear, he said to the expectant spectator, with an air of great disappointment. "I believe I've forgotten the rest of it."—*Peck's Sun.*

YOUNG widow (addressing servant girl): "Lena, what did you do with the photograph this gentleman left here for me more than a year ago? You surely never gave it to me, nor did you tell me a word about it." Lena (after thinking a long time): "Oh, yes, I remember now. Why, I thought it was the jack of diamonds that had been lost for so long, and I put it in the card drawer." Apparent discomfiture of elderly gentleman.

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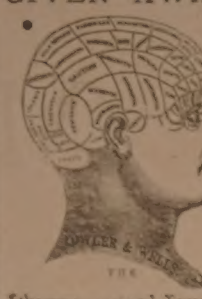

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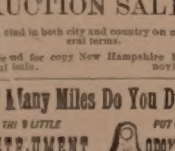

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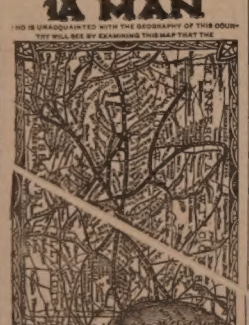

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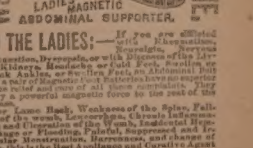

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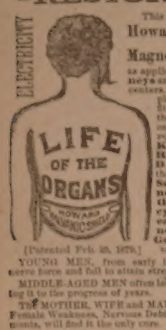

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Mr. Cyrus Clifford of West Rumney has sold his old homestead to Mr. Park of Plymouth for the sum of $2,900. Mr. Park will soon put teams to drawing lumber from the mountain near by. W.

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Mr. Weeks, our summer landlord has moved to Ashland until the season opens again.

The town debt will be somewhat reduced this year in spite of law suits and town expenses.

Our paupers bills are diminishing and if the people will respond to the requests of the collector will make a good show on town debt next March.

Rev. Mr. Noyes delivered the sermon at the town school house last Sabbath.

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BRIDGEWATER.

Lyceum met as per adjournment, President and Secretary in chair. The question: Resolved, That Lincoln was intellectually superior to Washington. Disputants: O. E. Morrill, G. L. Uphom. Affirmative; F. Small, C. Fletcher. Negative; after the disputants had debated, it was then thrown open to the house. Decided in negative. Next week will be discussed the question: Resolved, That women are intellectually more capable of writing and holding office than men. Debaters, Albion Dalton, Randall Pillsbury. Affirmative, David Batchelder, Fred A. Upham, Negative. There will also be recitations, etc., and a paper by Miss Fannie Spencer. All are cordially invited. F. A.

NOVEMBER TERM OF COURT.

The regular November term of the Supreme Court for this county opened here Tuesday afternoon, Judge Carpenter presiding. Rev. Mr. Peck offered prayer and the usual charge was given to the grand jury.

The docket comprised 72 civil cases, 18 equity, 2 sessions and 14 state at the opening.

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Thursday, Ann G. Crew, for adultery at Littleton was sentenced to 6 months in jail, and pay $1.00 fine, but no costs. George Carr of Hanover, for indecent exposure, 3 months in jail, $10 00 and costs. The case of the state against Eugene H. and George F. Colburn for shooting and striking John W. Brooks at Dorchester, Oct. 2, was continued. The latter has pretty well recovered from his severe injuries and was able to walk about our streets during his stay here. The case is said to be weak on the part of the state and will probably never be tried. The Grand Jury presented 18 indictments altogether. There were absent half a dozen divorce cases that received more or less attention, but very little can be learned regarding them from the usual sources.

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TEMPERANCE MEETING.

The Union Mass Temperance meeting was held in the M. E. vestry Sunday evening last, as before announced. A large number were present, the vestry being well filled a quarter of an hour before the time appointed. The meeting was opened by singing two stanzas of "I Need Thee Every Hour," after which Rev. Mr. Knowles read the 76th Psalm and offered an earnest prayer for the temperance cause, followed by the singing of two stanzas of "He Leadeth Me." Mr. Knowles then made a few brief remarks in regard to what he had learned by the study of arguments against alcohol and introduced the principal speaker of the evening, Mr. J. A. Merrill of Nashua, Secretary of the State Temperance Union. Mr Merrill is a very earnest and effective speaker, as all who have ever had the pleasure of listening to him we old doubtless testify. He spoke of his presence here about a year ago at the time the Temperance Union was formed, and said he was pleased to see so many who were interested in this matter. The State Temperance Union has been in working order for upwards of two years, and as many people here gave money to aid it, he presumed they would like to know what had been done with it. Ten local Temperance Unions have been formed in the State in one year and three or four more within the past few months. Fifty towns and cities have been visited and forty-three open temperance meetings held. A number of thousand tracts on temperance have been distributed among the people, many of them being four page ones, and several hundred of the prohibitory laws of the state. Some very earnest and deeply interesting meetings have been held in the larger cities, including Dover and Manchester. Earnest preparations are now being made for the same in Concord, and Keene. At the coming meeting at Concord, many invitations will be sent out to the business men of many towns in the state, and any one who will send $10 there may become a member of the State Temperance Union for a year. By invitations to the business men it is hoped to interest them in the cause, that they may work against the liquor traffic. What is needed the most is to arouse public sentiment to stir the people and to awaken them to see where the injury of the liquor traffic lies. He spoke of the high taxes paid by the leading business men in the state, consequently the men who do the most good for trade, etc., and of the comparative taxation of the liquor, which does the harm. He also spoke very strongly against license in any form and alluded to the opinion of some who think license benefits the state by the increase of revenue. He referred to a gentleman who wished a license law for this purpose which would give the state $70,000 and out of it he would help Dartmouth college, perhaps $5,000 a year, so when the lovers of drink heard of this they would say, "Come boys, let's go up and help Dartmouth college." His opinion is, that more money has to be paid out annually for the evil caused by drink than the license law could bring in. He wished public sentiment thoroughly aroused on the subject, even against the beer and the cider, for the boys who are allowed to drink cider on the farm, when they grow older and perhaps begin life in the city soon learn the love of stronger drink, and many a drunkard has traced his fate from the old cider barrel at home. If apples must be made into cider in order that they be not wasted and the farmer thereby suffer loss, make the cider into vinegar or boil it down. Many think there is no harm in a glass of cider or beer, but still a boy is never seen to step up to a bar and call for whiskey, the first glass of liquor he ever drinks; it is beer or cider first, then something stronger. Many people who are on the temperance side will stand back and say "Let the saloons alone, and they won't hurt you" and saying this will permit the traffic to go on. If a band of Indians were encamped about Plymouth to slaughter its inhabitants the men of the town would not say, "Let them alone, and they won't hurt you," but would soon arm themselves and put them to flight and if they would not the women of Plymouth thiuk enough of their homes to do so themselves. He urged the temperance work to be carried on among the children, and the forming of juvenile temperance associations and temperance work done by the women. His closing remarks were upon the three points, "Light, Love and Law." The people need more light on the question, those who are temperance should stand by the cause better, should watch that their boys and girls be not stolen from them by the beer and cider, and to the girls he said, "It is better to live in single blessedness, die an old maid and be buried in peace, than to be married and live in double cussedness all your life," and advised them to say to the young men, "If you lock arms with the rum jug, you can't lock arms with me." The people need love for their fellow creatures that will extend the helping hand to them and, if possible, dread them out of misery, and law they need to see enforced, and love is really law. Some would say they didn't see much love in fining a man fifty dollars and costs, or in shutting him up behind the prison bars; but if any should steal a horse you would say, have him arrested and not for the stealing of your horse in particular but for the reason that if such a person were at large he might steal all the horses in town. So it is love and law that stops the liquor traffic and prevents the stealing of more youth as victims of intemperance. When Mr. Merrill closed his remarks which occupied about three quarters of an hour and commanded rapt attention, President Thornton rose and said it was seldom that so many able speakers were present but as several of them were strangers he presumed that the townspeople would give way to them for the evening. He then called on Rev. Mr. Morrison of Lancaster to speak a few moments. This gentleman responded with a few pleasing remarks, that he was glad to show which side he was on. He gave an earnest temperance exhortation, related some agreeable anecdotes and gave way to Hon. Joseph Kidder who spoke with his usual earnestness for the temperance cause and related a story of a bull fight in Cadiz, Spain at the time the famous bull El Moro was turned into the ring and persecuted with many weapons and the bowels of the bull with rage and pain was met by a young peasant girl who through the power of love and song completely conquered the fierce animal and rode him from the ring, using this story as the illustration of the power of love to fight against liquor. A collection was then taken for the benefit of the State Temperance Union and tracts distributed through the audience, after which Prof. Rounds was called on and responded by a very pleasant twenty minutes' talk on the effect of the prohibitory law to Maine, and its native town there. He believes the prohibitory law does a great deal of good, but thinks that the education of the young according to the law recently passed will do more good by teaching that liquor is a poison. The meeting was closed by a benediction by Rev. Mr. Smith.

BORN.

In Plymouth; November 1st, to Mr. and Mrs. John Berry, a son.

In Hebron, Nov. 12th, to Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Merrill, a son.

MARRIED.

In Plymouth, Oct. 17, by Rev. O. H. Shinn, Mr. Edson R. Mitchell, to Miss Laurie E. Brown.

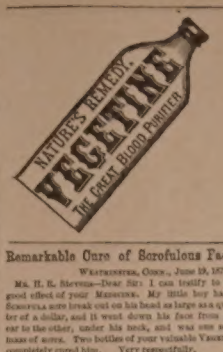
In Warren, Nov. 6th, by Rev. L. W. Prescott, John E. D wning of Wentworth, to Miss Etta C. Hobbs of Plymouth.

In Franklin, Nov. 6th, at the residence of the officiating clergyman, Rev. A. H. Martin, H B. Martin, of Franklin, and Mrs. Sophia Butler of Plymouth.

DIED.

In Bridgewater, Oct. 26th, of heart disease, Robert Y. Barber, 64 years.

In Canaan, Nov. 10th, suddenly of heart disease, Maj. Joseph C. Atwood of Rumney, aged 63 years. jesalt



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ASHLAND ALLEGATIONS.

Mrs. S. J. Brown has been ill.

Mrs. James Graffam has been in poor health, lately.

Mrs. E. G. Clapp is gaining.

Miss Jessie Chamberlain has been at North Haverhill, visiting her parents.

George W. Mitchell and wife have gone to their home in Florida.

G. C. Rowe and E. P. Harrington now occupy the A. M. Gordon residence.

A covering has been built over the outside stairs on Hughes & Huckins' store.

Mr. George M. Hodgdon's family have been having a hard time for a few weeks past, with sickness. Mr. Hodgdon's sister has been with the family and they are now all improving in health.

Mr. and Mrs. Dr. Huckins were very pleasantly surprised, one evening recently, by a company of friends who spent the evening with them and presented them with a scrap album and nice hanging lamp. They soon expect to move to Wentworth.

The following are the names on the Roll of Honor for the several departments of the village schools which have just closed: Primary.—Nora Jacques, Ida Jacques, Lucy Boynton, Edna Swayne, Mary Harriman, Henry Harriman, Eddie Robie, Arthur Clapp, Harry Heath, Georgie Raymo. Intermediate.—Minnie E. Baker, Alice M. Boynton, Phebe M. Cheney, Rufus B. Brown, Peter Cheney, Joseph Hill, Fred Lupine, Charles Swayne. Higher Grammar.—Dora L. Berry, Alice L. Dearborn, Lillian E. Fadden, Louie V. Fifield, Maggie Horrigan, Josie L. Spaulding, Herman G. Morrison, Albert E. Putney, Willie S. Smith, and Clara B. Harriman. The following six scholars ranked the highest, in their studies, in the order given below: Herman G. Morrison, Alice L. Dearborn, Josie L. Spaulding, Inez M. Andrews, Lillian Andrews, Dora L. Berry.

Batchelder's block has been newly shingled and a Lutherian window built in place of the former sky-light.

Mrs. Arthur S. Clark has moved into her new house which has just been completed.

Lewis Smith recently had a leg broken by an ox stepping on it.

A. W. Weeks of the Asquim House is much improved in health, being now able to walk out.

S. Hermon Lougee having resigned the office of Captain of O. W. Keyes Camp, John P. Peaslee has been chosen to fill that position.

About two dozen members of Mt. Rattlesnake Division, Sons of Temperance, from Rumney, visited Live Oak Division in this place, recently and spent a very pleasant evening.

The funeral services of the late Person Cheney were held at his residence the 3d. They were of the simplest character. The hymn "Rock of Ages" was sung by the Free Baptist choir; the 103d Psalm and prayer by Rev. Mr. Davis, pastor of the Free Baptist church; and singing of "Nearer, my God, to Thee," by the choir. A large number were present, among them Hon. Person Cheney, a son of the deceased, Ex. Gov. Cheney, and C. H. Cheney Esq., of *The Granite State Free Press*, nephews.

Dr. Huckins has moved to Wentworth. Dr. A. N. Garey takes his place here.

O. W. Keyes Post Boys had company on the 10th. Comrades from Plymouth, Laconia and Lake Village. A good time as old soldiers always have, when they meet.

We learn that a jeweler is expected in town, soon.

Mrs. S. J. Brown is reported improving from her sickness.

James Brogan's sister from Townsend, Mass., is visiting him this week.

E. P. Harrington and George C. Rowe now occupy the A. M. Gordon house, Dr. Spaulding having moved into the Hannaford house.

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Well, sad to say, he got in the habit of taking his drams daily—two, three, four, five, and more glasses, and, between times, cigar or pipe was rarely absent from his lips. After a while he lost his good situation through irregularity, and then found the hotel bar or drinking saloon his most congenial stopping place.

The years went on, and he grew old rapidly, becoming less and less attentive to his dress and appearance in like proportion with his indifference to the quality of the liquor proffered him to drink or the sort of tobacco which filled his pipe. So long as it was liquor, so long as it was tobacco, he eagerly took it, and at last, by an easy process of evolution, he had descended to a brutish level—he had become a swine man,

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In keeping with this is the opinion of a correspondent of the Philadelphia *Times*, who writes:

"The cigarette-smoking boys of New York are growing into vice faster than they grow in stature. The next generation will be born of puny-chested, slim-legged, small-necked chaps, and what kind of a generation will it be? Idiots and monkeys! There may be some doubt as to the origin of the human race. There can be none as to the destiny of New York's part of it. We may not have sprung from apes, but ten dollars to a cake our grandchildren won't be many degrees above them if our children continue to sap their life-blood and belittle their stock of sturdiness as they are doing today. The whisky part of the danger is not so offensive to the decent public as the smoking. Is there anything worse than a bad cigar? Yes—a bad cigarette. So great has been the demand for cigarettes that the market is flooded with imitations, made of cheap paper and refuse filling. That they sap the strength of the smoker is the smoker's affair, but that they stench our streets, make hideous our cars, and render our steamboat decks disagreeable is unfortunately too true. Small boys, lovers, and young men about town affect cigarettes. They can't sit still with their friend between the acts, because their little souls are filled with longing for their tobacco. Tobacco! I wish they could see what cigarettes are made of. If that would n't cure them of their longing, then I'm a sinner. I am anyhow, but that doesn't count."

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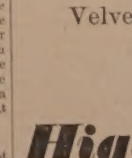

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NEWS OF THE DAY

GENERAL ITEMS.

—News comes from South America to the effect that after the revolt of Montoneros, in Arequipa, Colonel Baygado opposed the mutineers, killing seventy of them, including the Mayor of the city. General Canevaro was killed by his own troops. The whole Chilian expeditionary force is in Arequipa.

—In New York harbor on Friday a tug boat exploded her boiler. The captain and four men were killed.

—Through the falling of a scaffold at Newcastle, Pa., one man was killed and two others sustained injuries which it is thought will prove fatal.

—A public hall in Laurinburg, N. C., fell upon a gathering of colored people, injuring several, two fatally.

—The speedy downfall of President Salomon, of Hayti, and elevation of Bezelais to power is predicted by Mr. Lee, who arrived in New York city Friday from Kingston and who was an officer on the steamship Ethel, which was fitted out at Philadelphia for the Haytian government.

—A lady residing in New York city has presented the Princeton Theological Seminary with $150,000 to provide for salaries in the new department of philosophy.

—The commandant of the Marine Corps says the number of marines is not equal to the demands of the service, and asks for more.

—The bursting of a fly wheel at Pottsville, Pa., caused the death of one man and the injuring of others.

—At Madison, Wis., the roof, together with the inside walls and iron and stone columns of the new south wing of the capitol building fell, killing four workmen and injuring about 20 others, some of them fatally.

—Two men were killed by the caving in of a sewer at Elmira, N. Y.

—The Secretary of the Republican National Committee has issued a call for a meeting of that body at Washington on December 12th.

—General Grant has written a letter explaining his change of views in the Fitz John Porter case.

—Five more victims of the Missouri cyclone have died, making eleven deaths so far. Five have been buried. The injured are fully cared for, the homeless have been all placed under shelter and the work of rebuilding is rapidly going on.

—"Swell head" has developed among cattle at the stock yards, Chicago, Ill. The first scientific examination of this disease in this country was made under the direction of the United States Treasury Cattle Commission. It was decided that the disease is the result of lodgement of microscopic plants in the teeth. When the disease extends to the jaws it nearly always proves fatal. It can be communicated to man.

—By the loss of the bark Lenina in the ice of the Arctic Circle six whalers perished. The survivors have reached Boston.

—A mysterious murder is reported from Cincinnati. An entire family who partook of bologna sausage were poisoned by it and one child is dead.

—A train, derailed by a maliciously misplaced switch, near North Bennington, Vt., killed the fireman and probably fatally injured the engineer of the engine, which fell into a stream.

—The National Woman's Christian Temperance Union, while in convention at Detroit, Michigan, adopted a resolution to memorialize Congress in the interest of woman suffrage, and also one to secure the calling of a non-partisan prohibition Convention before the party Presidential conventions of next year.

—Jacob Kipp, a wealthy resident of Milwaukee, Wis., was robbed of $6,000 and murdered on Saturday night.

—Mary Cheviett, the young girl who has been missing from her home in St. Louis, has been found at work in the laundry of an insane asylum near Indianapolis, Ind.

—A quarrel between a negro and a white man in Danville, Va., resulted in a riot, during which three negroes were killed and many wounded. Two white men were injured.

—A. B. Johnson, sheriff of Lynch, the lawyer, who was shot at Batavia, N. Y., committed suicide in Utica. He was a prominent and worthy man.

—The Railroad Women's Christian Temperance Union tabled a resolution favoring woman suffrage.

—The United States shot agent, Ember, drowned recently at Erie, Pa., with three others, during a squall, had $36,000 insurance on his life.

GAMBLING NOTES.

—The Postmaster General is considering the advisability of recommending an increase in the weight allowance of single rate letters.

—It is estimated by the Commissioner of Pensions that $40,000,000 will be required for the payment of pensions during the next fiscal year.

—Secretary Folger said that a careful estimate showed that the surplus or reserve fund of the Treasury on December 1 would not exceed that for November, which was $107,000,000.

FOREIGN ITEMS.

—M. Ferry, the French Prime Minister, said there is not the remotest chance of China going to war with France. His opinion of Chinese diplomatists is the reverse of flattering.

—There is great excitement in Spain over the new plans of Cuban revolutionists on the freedom of the Island.

—Disturbances prevail in Ireland. Serious rioting has occurred in Londonderry and a bailiff has been shot in Galway.

—The British steamer Iris, bound from Cardiff to Port Said, has been lost off Cape Villano, Spain. Of a crew of thirty-six all except one were drowned.

—An explosion took place in the Moorfield Colliery, at Accrington, Lancashire, England. There were 110 miners in the colliery at the time, of whom sixty-three were killed.

THE sword is but a hideous flash in the darkness—right is an eternal ray.

THE LATE ELECTIONS.

The Result of the Vote.

NEW YORK.

The Democrats have elected their State ticket except in the case of Mr. Maynard for Secretary of State, whose vote was greatly reduced by cutting, chiefly in the large cities, leaving the result as to him in doubt. Gen. Joseph C. Carr, the present incumbent, being elected. The Legislature will probably be Republican in both branches.

In New York city the Democratic State ticket has about 45,000 majority. Mr. Maynard running 15,000 behind. The Democrats elected six of the seven State Senators, two of them being Tammany men and four Anti-Tammany, and sixteen Assemblymen. Fifteen Democratic aldermen are chosen seven being Tammany and eight Anti-Tammany. John Reilly, the united Democratic candidate for Register, is elected; and George F. Andrews and Charles H. Van Brunt are elected Supreme Court Justices, and Charles J. Nehrbas and Edward Browne, Justices of the City Court.

The New York *Times* says: In the Senate there will be 20 Republicans and 13 Democrats, and in the House 74 Republicans and 54 Democrats, so that the Republicans will have a majority of 28 on a joint ballot, against a Democratic majority of 44 on a joint ballot in the last Legislature.

The majority in New York city against consent labor is 70,000.

In Brooklyn Low's plurality over Hendrix is 1,698.

NEW JERSEY.

A heavy vote was polled in New Jersey; Leon Abbett, the Democratic candidate for Governor, is elected. There were gains and losses on both sides in different parts of the State, so that it is difficult to make an accurate estimate of majorities from the earlier returns. In Essex county the Republicans gain three Assemblymen, and in Passaic county the Democrats gain two. The Democrats also gain an Assemblyman in Union county.

The Assembly stands: Democrats, 35; Republicans, 25. This will give the Democrats a majority of seven on joint ballot. Both Senate and Assembly stand exactly the same as they did last year. Abbett's majority foots up 12,712 and Dixon's 5,931, leaving Abbett's 6,781 above that of Dixon.

MASSACHUSETTS.

The total vote for Governor in Massachusetts was 311,789, of which Robinson had 160,161, Butler 150,074 and Almy 1,553. Robinson's plurality, 10,087. He acknowledges that it was unexpected. The total vote for Lieutenant-Governor gives Ames 12,039 to 14,009 plurality.

The Legislature stands as follows: Republicans 146, Democrats 23 and Independents 3. The official vote may change these figures slightly.

PENNSYLVANIA.

The Republicans have carried the State. Only two State officers were voted for, State Treasurer and Auditor-General.

Official reports and corrected estimates make Niles (Rep.), for Auditor-General, 18,188 majority over Taggart (Dem.), and Livsey (Rep.), for State Treasurer, 16,370 majority over Powell (Dem.).

VIRGINIA.

The election generally passed off quietly, although it had been anticipated that troubles would take place. The returns at hand show very considerable Democratic gains, with indications that the Democrats have carried the State.

CONNECTICUT.

The election in Connecticut was for half the Senate—Twelve members—all the House of Representatives and State officers. The Republicans have carried the State by a majority of about 1,000. The Republicans have carried the Legislature probably by forty majority on joint ballot, and probably have nine of the twelve Senators. This will make the next Senate stand 14 Republicans and 10 Democrats.

MINNESOTA.

The election in Minnesota was for Governor, Lieutenant-Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Attorney-General, and Railroad Commissioner. The Republican ticket was elected.

MARYLAND.

Maryland elected Robert M. McLane, a Democrat, Governor, over Hart Berry Holton, the Republican candidate. The Democratic candidates for Controller and Attorney-General were also elected.

The Democrats gained Senators in Frederick and Washington counties. This, with the 5 Democratic and 8 Republican Senators holding over, will make the Senate stand 14 Democrats and 12 Republicans. In some of the counties the vote on Senator is so close that further returns may change the result. The House of Delegates will be Democratic by probably 20 or more majority.

MISSISSIPPI.

Mississippi voted for members of both branches of the Legislature, and the result was decidedly in favor of the Democrats.

The joint Legislature stands 130 Democrats to 25 Republicans and Independents. The Democrats elected eleven out of twelve District Attorneys.

NEBRASKA.

The revised returns give Reese (Rep.) for Supreme Judge, 5,000 majority.

Pioneer Days.

At a reunion of California pioneers one held of the times when he lugged a gold washing machine on his back over the mountains, only to find on beginning to work that he had been fooled into buying a machine for washing clothes. He went into the laundry business, however, and in six months made $10,000 at one dollar shirts at $5 apiece. Number two said that when he was living in San Francisco the Vigilance Committee were so busy hanging gamblers and other rascals that he made $50 a day manufacturing halters out of a bale of hemp he happened to have. The committee paid him $100 apiece for the halters. Number three said he was sleeping on the top floor of the Occidental Hotel, in San Francisco, the first night of his arrival, when an earthquake gently rose underneath, and before he could recover, pulled three hills over, smashed his spectacles, tore out his false teeth, and upset his cologne bottle. Then the bear threw his valise containing his patent out of the window. The man had nothing for defence except a bottle of smelling salts. Every time the bear made for him he gave him a sniff. The bear recoiled, roared horribly, and fell back. The fight was kept up all morning, by which time the male bear's self got the man rang for the waiter and ordered another bottle of salts. He was told that there was only a pound in the whole city. "Buy it at any price!" said he. Word came that it would cost $1,000. Just at this moment the band began playing and the remainder of the third speaker's story was lost. The fourth speaker said he went on shore fifteen minutes at San Francisco while the steamer stopped for whisky—it had given out at the bar—and helped bang two men. One of them was afterward found to be innocent, but he did treasure as an example.

"He was a kind friend and a somewhat father" is the epitaph now popular in Utah.

BAKED WEALTH.

A Farmer Pulls His Fortune in an Oven and Finds It in a Pile of Ashes.

"Mr. Jacob Leib, a farmer of West Millcreek, has been ruined by too much prosperity," says an Erie (Penn.) dispatch. For the last month the villages around Erie have been worked pretty thoroughly by a gang of professional burglars, the two leaders of whom have been captured. Farmer Leib is one of those who believed a bird in the hand to be worth two in the bush. He has never deposited his savings in the bank, but kept his money and valuables in a safe at home, where the treasure would always be under his eye.

The operations of the burglars in his neighborhood convinced him that safes do not always save, therefore he concluded to be too cunning for the crackmen. Removing his greenbacks, amounting to $5,000, with notes, mortgages and other valuable documents representing as much more, he concealed them in the oven of a parlor stove that is not generally used until the winter has fairly set in. As an extra precaution he concluded not to tell Mrs. Leib, least in a moment of weakness she should give his cubbens away in gossip. The project worked like a charm.

At Union City safes were being cracked and dwelling-houses being entered all around, but his treasure remained all safe in the oven. One morning it was discovered that an unsuccessful attempt had been made to burglarize his residence, but the discovery only served to tickle him. Mrs. Leib was seriously alarmed for the safety of their possessions, but her husband bade her be of good cheer, and trust to his sagacity.

That night he came to Erie on business, and during his absence the first snow-storm of the season occurred. Thinking of the husband's cold ride, Mrs. Leib planned a little surprise for him, and so prepared a dainty and tempting supper, spreading it in their cosy parlor, lighting the fire to add to Mr. Leib's comfort. When he arrived and took in the situation he almost fainted. Rushing to the stove he opened the oven door and pulled out a charred mass that once represented their fortune, but which was now not worth a cent. On Saturday he brought the ashes to the court-house, but obtained no comfort.

Reformation First.

I was invited to a wedding the other evening, but could not go. The invitation was extended by the groom in person. He came in, and, having acted shyly for a moment, asked me to step out in the hallway. There were no other persons in the room, but I consented. The gas was burning and no turned it down. If I hadn't known him as well as I did, I should have felt some misgivings. Then shakilowed he stated his case at once. He said he was going to be married. He had known her a long time, and they had both outlived their foolishness. He had no doubt about her. But he had been practising to be good himself.

"One year ago," he said, "I just concluded not to drink beer run second class. Two years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Three years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Four years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Five years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Six years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Seven years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Eight years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Nine years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Ten years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Eleven years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Twelve years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Thirteen years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Fourteen years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. Fifteen years ago I concluded not to drink beer run second class. 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